

# WIN A \$50 VISA GIFT CARD COMPETE STATEWIDE FOR A LAPTOP COMPUTER!

**ATTENTION Beaverton Students in Grades 4-6,  
Middle School, High School & College!**

**"If I Were Mayor..." 2010 Student Contests**

*Sponsored by the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA)*

## 3 ways to win!

- **POSTER**
- **ESSAY**
- **VIDEO**



## Contest Deadline:

**Friday, May 28 at 4 p.m.**

## CONTEST RULES

### GENERAL:

- All submissions must be accompanied by a completed entry form. All forms for students under age 18 must be signed by the student's parent or guardian. Entry forms may be photocopied.
- Only one submission per student will be accepted.
- Submissions will not be returned and will become the property of the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA).
- The City of Beaverton and OMA retain the right to publish essays and posters along with the names and likenesses of each student.
- Prior winners are not allowed to participate.
- City of Beaverton and League of Oregon Cities (LOC) employees and dependents are not eligible to enter.
- Beaverton contest participants must attend classes or be home-schooled in the Beaverton area.
- City of Beaverton contest winners will each receive a \$50 VISA gift card (one for each category) to be awarded during the Monday, June 21, 2010, City Council meeting.
- Beaverton winners (one winner in each category) will go on to compete in the statewide OMA competition. Winners in each category for the statewide competition will receive a laptop computer at the OMA Conference on July 31, 2010.

### POSTERS:

- The poster contest is open to students enrolled in the 4th through 6th elementary grades or being home-schooled at the same grade level for the 2009-10 school year.
- Poster size must be 17" x 27".
- Students are encouraged to be creative and may use any art medium (e.g., poster paints, felt pens, colored pencils, pastels, crayons, etc.). The poster may be in color or black and white.
- The student's name and day-time phone number **must** appear on the back of the poster.

### ESSAYS:

- The essay contest is open to students enrolled in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade or being home-schooled at the same grade level for the 2009-10 school year.
- Essays must be 500 to 1,000 words in length and typed.
- The student's name and day-time phone number **must** appear at the top of the essay.

### VIDEO/POWERPOINT PRESENTATION:

- The video/PowerPoint contest is open to students enrolled in high school or college or being home-schooled at the high school level for the 2009-10 school year.
- Presentations must be one minute in length or less.
- Presentations must be submitted on DVD or CD.
- The student's name and day-time phone number **must** appear on the DVD/CD.

**Submit your original work with a completed entry form to:**

**City of Beaverton, P.O. Box 4755, Beaverton, OR 97076, Attn: Joyce Barnard**



**City of Beaverton**  
**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

**“IF I WERE MAYOR...” CONTEST**

(Must accompany **EVERY** contest entry)

**What does Beaverton's Mayor do?**

The City of Beaverton has a strong Mayor form of government. The Mayor is the executive and administrative head of the government of the City, and presides over the City Council. All powers of the City are vested in the City Council which consists of five councilors. The Mayor and City Councilors are all elected at-large to serve four year terms. Among many other duties, Beaverton's Mayor and City Council is responsible for planning, improving and maintaining the City's infrastructure (such as our streets, water system, storm and sewer system), providing cost effective and responsive services to the community (including police services, library services, and more), ensuring long term financial stability, adopting budgets and directing City operations, projects and programs (including sustainability, recycling, downtown redevelopment, neighborhood planning, and more).

**Judging Criteria**

Local judging will be conducted by the City Council. Statewide judging will be conducted by a panel of Mayors. In selecting the winners, the judges will consider:

- ✓ **Creativity** – Does the student demonstrate curiosity and originality?
- ✓ **Clarity/Sincerity of Thought** – Is the submission well thought out and organized?
- ✓ **Proper Use of Grammar** – Does the submission contain proper spelling, grammar and punctuation?
- ✓ **Subject Relevancy** – Are the major points relevant to the role of a government leader? Does the student demonstrate an understanding of municipal government and the job of mayor?

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of parent/guardian:** *(Required for students under age 18)*

**Verification Statement:** *I hereby verify that the work enclosed was produced by the student whose name appears on this entry form.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship (parent/guardian, teacher): \_\_\_\_\_

CONTESTANT LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CITY REPRESENTED Beaverton

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**Questions? Contact Joyce Barnard at [jbarnard@ci.beaverton.or.us](mailto:jbarnard@ci.beaverton.or.us) or (503) 526-2481**